

WGS Academic Honor Roll... Boosters, Summer Baseball meet Feb. 12

The following seventh and eighth grade students were named to the Washington Grade School academic Honor Roll for the second quarter.

Principal's Honors, 4.00 grade point average: Brittney Lindauer, Connor Flynn, Desiree Rule, Elise Blum, Kevin Johnston, Mackenzie Carr.

High Honors, 3.50-3.99 GPA: Alex Bittinger, Amber Abney, Ashley Eastlick, B.J. Linville, Brittanie Roberts, Carrie Shaw, Cassandra Gunter, Dalan Lee, Heather Bassett, John Fitch, Jolene Botchie, Jor-eigh Landers, Kelsey King, Lia Sebring, Marissa Clement,

Megan Perry, Nicole Frantz, Sabrina Smith, Sandy Bevans, Stephanie Benes.

Honors, 3.25-3.49 GPA: Anna Naspini, Erin Peura, Jeramey Lende, Jessie Long, Lindsay Shaw.

Honorable Mention, 3.00-3.24 GPA: Amy Rombach, Brandon Cota, Colton DeWitt, Danielle Robb, Luke Johnston, Melissa Chelby, Miranda Gunter, Nick Mohn, Phillip Peerson, Shandee Cota.

Progressive Honors, raised GPA by .5 or more: Brent Thompson, Cody Gwin, Randall Normand.

With the merger of the Vernonia Booster Club and summer league sports, help is needed to create a successful year-around program of youth activities. The next Booster Club meeting is Wednesday, February 12, at 6:30 p.m., at Vernonia City Hall. Adoption of new by-laws, election of officers and construction of a concession stand at Vernonia High School's Greenman Field will

be discussed.

This is also the first meeting of Summer League Youth Baseball and Softball.

Some events the Booster Club is involved in are the Christmas Bazaar, Echoing Evergreen Booster Summer Camp, Little Gal Basketball, Summer League Youth Baseball and Softball, Fall Soccer and Little Guy Football. In addition, the Booster Club helps

support school sports programs, a Sports Shoe Program for underprivileged youth, two \$500 Scholarships for graduating seniors, art and music programs and seasonal sports banquets, and operates concessions at high school football games, the 4th of July and the Vernonia Friendship Jamboree.

The mission statement of the Vernonia Booster Club is "FOR THE KIDS." In the near future, with revenues generated from tournaments, it will be possible to provide local youth with sports at minimal cost. Booster Club members believe that investing time and energy in today's youth will help forge a solid society for tomorrow, and that the youth of Vernonia are worthy of support.

Just 10 hours per year from every parent would generate the manpower needed to run these programs successfully. Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Equipment Managers and other volunteers are needed to make the programs work. Volunteers are also needed to complete the plans for the concession stand. Plumbers, electricians, masons and laborers are asked to attend the meeting on February 12.

For more information, call Steve Landers at 503-429-4543, Glen Purvee at 503-429-3541 or Randy Parrow at 503-429-1093.

Jamboree theme contest begins

The 47th Annual Vernonia Friendship Jamboree will be held August 1, 2 and 3, 2003.

In preparation, the Vernonia Friendship Jamboree Committee held its first meeting January 9 and elected the following officers: Vice-president Glen Purvee, 2 year term; Secretary Katie Poetter, 2 year term; Treasurer Christine Purvee, 1 year term. Randy Parrow will continue as president.

Sub-committees formed include: Grand Marshall and Citizen of the Year, Advertising, Parade, Waste Management, T-Shirt sales, Vendors, Children's Games. Input is needed for these committees. Anyone interested in participating will be greatly appreciated.

The next meeting will be February 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Washington Grade School Library. The committee meets the

second Thursday of each month. Any group planning an event should attend a meeting in order to be included in the Jamboree event paper and advertising bulletins.

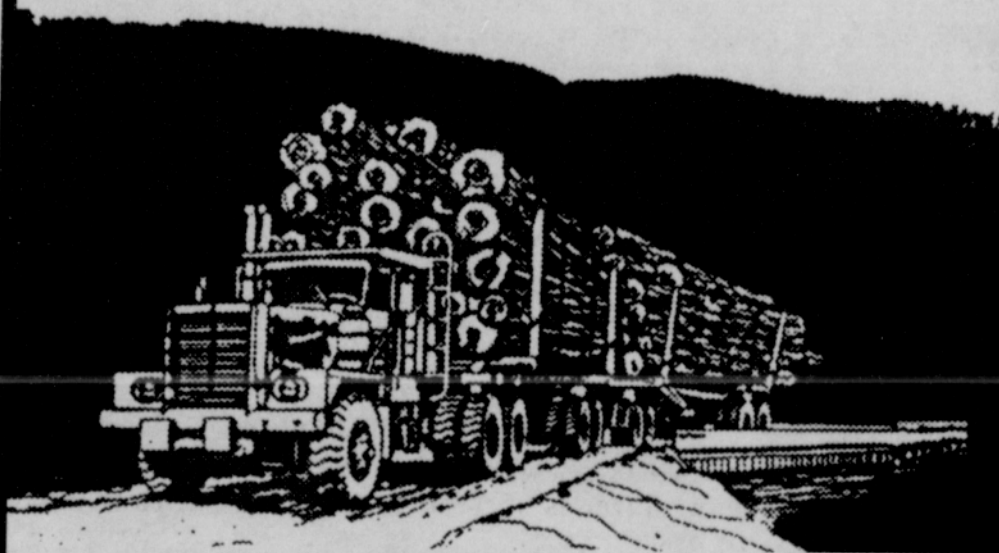
The Jamboree Theme Contest has also begun. Entries may be mailed to Vernonia Jamboree Committee, P.O. Box 244, Vernonia, OR 97064. The winning entry will receive a \$50.00 savings bond. Deadline is March 21. The winning theme will be announced in *The Independent* on April 2. After the theme is selected, the T-shirt design contest will begin, with the winning entry also receiving a \$50.00 savings bond. A theme and T-shirt design may be submitted together by the March 21 deadline.

For more information, call Randy Parrow at 503-429-1093.

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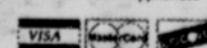
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